

## **Cnoc Mhuire**

### **Granard**

#### **Roll No 63730S**

Cnoc Mhuire is a mixed voluntary secondary school in Granard. A former Mercy school now under the trusteeship of CEIST, Cnoc Mhuire has a Catholic ethos, enrolling students of all denominations and none. The school provides post primary education to over 550 students (570 for September 2025) from Granard and its surrounding areas, including Counties Cavan, Westmeath, Leitrim and Longford. Currently the school employs over 40 teachers, 6 SNAs, an administrator and caretaking/cleaning staff. There has been a 55% increase in staffing over the past 6 years. It has a steady increase in admissions over the same period having an annual intake of circa 100 students. Every year between 3 and 6 PME's obtain a placement in the school. The school also runs the Droichead Programme for NQTs.

The school currently has an allocation of 6 AP1s, & 7 AP11s, a programmes coordinator post at AP1 level with additional posts of responsibility expected to be allocated in September 2025 based on the schools increasing numbers.

The school has a variety of facilities to support a wide range of curricular and extra-curricular activities. There are current plans to expand the building with DES approval at Stage 1 for a significant extension.

The school offers Junior Certificate, L2LPs, Transition Year, Leaving Certificate Established, LCVP and Leaving Cert Applied. We are very proud of our tradition of inclusion and responding to local needs. In 2022 the school opened its first ASD classroom called SOLAS, named by the students. Here SNAs and teachers work diligently to provide a varied curriculum to support the students enrolled in the class.

Our TY programme is usually over subscribed and most years 3 class groups run. The programme offers a variety of core and diverse subjects such as coding, life skills, future leaders, enterprise, photography, Junk Kouture, crafts, catering and construction as well as work placement experience. The TY programme is regularly reviewed and consequently subjects can vary. Most years TYs go on several outings, a Gaeltacht trip, a Gaisce activity and a foreign trip. This year its Barcelona. One of the county's best full sized Gaelic pitches is located on the Cnoc Mhuire grounds.

The school boasts both girls and boys Gaelic teams at all levels. The school's rugby, soccer and hurling teams also avail of the pitch for training and to host

competitive matches. Basketball is popular and competitive at both junior and senior level. Athletics, swimming and equestrian events are also popular.

The school won the first ever prestigious World Final Junk Kouture in January 2023, a competition that remains hugely popular every year. Break and after school clubs operate all year round and include after school study, first aid, coding and robotics, French and Spanish clubs, craft club, St Vincent de Paul, Céili band, board games and a movie club. All of the sports and clubs are made possible by the generosity of almost all teachers and SNAs in coaching and coordinating the activities.

Cnoc Mhuire aims to foster the spiritual and holistic development of each student and endeavours to support its students to become well-rounded and sociable young people.